

Wm. Chapman,
Ms. Ap. 2.

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Rev. A. A. Phelps,
Pastor of the Free-Chh.
Boston

Spent this morning to Boston a bundle for
my friends, containing a packet for you, enclosing
two copies of the report of Mr. Brigham's trial and a letter
et, which I directed to have immediately carried
to 39. Washington St.

I do not desire any answer to my letter of the 30th ult.
until you see occasion to write me. I know your time
is most valuable to you, and extremely occupied.
But I should be deeply disturbed not to have my letter
in the packet safely received.

I beg you to know that I do not desire to injure any
one or prejudice any man's usefulness.

You know in the vexed question touching the
license law, some say that one law, is a
law of prohibition, an other a law of regula-
tion.

Probably aim, immediately at regulation,
or, if it must be so, in Heaven's own time, a transla-
tion. One hint more in continuation of my letter of the
30th March. A cause may be advocated in such a way
as to retard & defeat it — for a time.

This state must be abolitionized.

Yours for the slave, and my dear Sir,

Yours always,

Samson Kingsbury

Another great difficulty in the way is, that so few
Abolition newspapers are taken, that Abolit-
ionists are not informed of the views and meas-
ures of the leading friends of the cause.

But a very small number of the Mass. Abolitionist
are taken in Birmingham. Hints, subscriptions
ought to ^{be} obtained without much effort. Some
who have subscribed say they have not received the
nos. I suppose they have not paid. I never

would have a copy of the paper sent, until it has
been paid for. I subscribed for the Liberator

some time ago, and it is the only copy taken in Birm-
ingham.

I feel indignant at L. F. Russell's
conduct, and I despise it. It is said too, that
Russell's, conduct, is the trick, the whizz; the aboliti-
on whizz, always have means to play, to defeat
Parnmenter's election.

I am a quaker, worker, missionary, but I can not
but wish you to know that I have been faithful to the
cause this day; that I have struggled against fear-
ful odds to accomplish a different result at
the polls in Birmingham.

Lauson Kingsbury

Monday Eve. Ap. 1. 1839.

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Rev. A. A. Phelps

My dear Sir:

The pole has just been closed. Brooks has 224 votes, Parmenter 160, and to my extreme regret & mortification, the Abolition candidates have received but 19. — 12 for Chamberlain, 5 for Woodbury, and 1 for Farnsworth. I worked as hard as I could; Mr. Brigham voted for Chamberlain. One leading cause of this result is, a report was circulated, that the Abolitionists at Concord agreed, at the late convention to support Mr. Brooks. I was told by one of my vote distributors that Chas. F. W. Parkhurst, Secy. of the A. S. Soc. gave currency to this rumor. Parkhurst takes the "Christian Reflector" which he tells me, says nothing upon some topics. Levi Farwell with drawing and endorsing Brooks, has doubtless had great effect as I suppose it was intended it should.